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**FOUNDATION SET TO AWARD \$275,000 IN 2021 CHALLENGE MATCH**  
**Forty Local Nonprofit Organizations Selected to Participate**

The Wayne County Foundation is pleased to announce that forty local nonprofit organizations have been selected to participate in the 2021 Challenge Match. This year marks the tenth consecutive year the Foundation has offered this initiative, dating back to 2012.

The Challenge Match is a community-wide fundraising effort that affords local nonprofits the opportunity to raise operating dollars, and to secure a dollar-for-dollar match from the Foundation. Over its history, the Challenge Match has proven to be philanthropic force in Wayne County, providing a highly-visible way to encourage charitable giving in our community. This year, \$275,000 match dollars will be made available for the program. 2021 Match partners for include the Doxpop Charitable Giving Fund, First Bank Community Fund, Second Chance Fund, and David and Carla Stidham.

Last year, the Challenge Match generated over \$1.83 million for the selected nonprofits. This number included \$265,000 match dollars made available by the Foundation and other match partners.

“Challenge Match has always been about helping our local nonprofit partners build long-term sustainability,” said Rebecca Gilliam, Wayne County Foundation executive director. “We relish the opportunity to come alongside these organizations to help them with their all-important work. We would also like to thank our generous match partners, all of whom recognize that strong local nonprofits mean making our community a better place to live.”

The forty participating organizations will have the opportunity to receive funding from the Foundation up to their match goal, based on gifts they receive from the community during the match period, which will run from November 1 through November 9, 2021. Please direct any questions about qualifying gifts to the Wayne County Foundation at 765-962-1638.

The following organizations have been selected to participate in the Wayne County Foundation's 2021 Challenge Match:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Match Goal</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Match Goal</b>
A Better Way Services, Inc.	\$10,000	Model T Ford Club of America	\$10,000
Amigos the Richmond Latino Center	\$5,000	Natco Community Empowerment Center	\$5,000
Birth-to-Five	\$5,000	Noah's Ark Day Care Center	\$5,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County	\$10,000	Open Arms Ministries	\$5,000
Brighter Path, Inc.	\$5,000	Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church	\$5,000
Children's Justice and Advocacy Center	\$5,000	Richmond Art Museum	\$10,000
Communities in Schools of Wayne County	\$10,000	Richmond Civic Theatre	\$5,000
Community Christian School	\$5,000	Richmond Family YMCA	\$5,000
Cope Environmental Center	\$10,000	Richmond Friends School	\$10,000
Every Child Can Read Inc.	\$5,000	Richmond Neighborhood Restoration	\$10,000
Friends of Morrisson Reeves Library	\$5,000	Richmond Parks and Recreation	\$10,000
Gateway Church of Richmond, Inc.	\$5,000	Richmond Pickleball Inc.	\$5,000
Girls Inc. of Wayne County	\$10,000	Richmond Rose Garden	\$5,000
Golay Community Center, Inc.	\$5,000	Richmond Shakespeare Festival, Inc.	\$10,000
Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Center	\$5,000	Richmond Symphony Orchestra	\$10,000
Hayes Arboretum	\$10,000	Sunrise Therapeutic Riding Center	\$5,000
HELP the Animals, Inc.	\$5,000	Wayne County Cardinal Greenway	\$10,000
Hope House	\$5,000	Wayne County Historical Museum	\$5,000
Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana, Inc.	\$5,000	Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars	\$10,000
Junior Achievement of Eastern Indiana	\$5,000	Williamsburg Area Community Center	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$275,000</b>

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